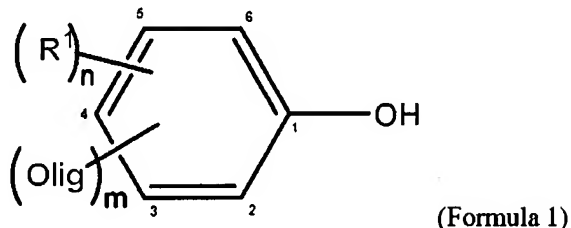


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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace the version submitted on August 10, 2007.

1. (Currently amended) An activated compound having a formula:



wherein the activated compound is attached to the hydroxyl group and comprises an activating moiety selected from the group consisting of chloroformate, NHS carbonate, DSC para-nitrochloroformate, p-nitrochloroformate, phosgene and paranitrophenyl carbonate, and

where

R¹ is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, -CH₂(OC₂H₄)OCH₃, and -(OC₂H₄)OCH₃;

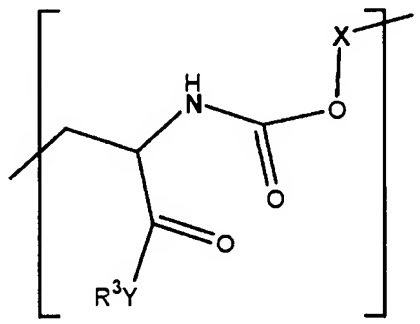
n is 0-4;

Olig is an oligomer having a formula:



where:

L is a optional linker moiety selected from the group consisting of -CH₂O-, -CH₂OX-, -OX-, -C(O)-, -C(O)X, -NH-, -NHC(O)-, -XNHC(O)-, -NHC(O)X, -C(O)NH-, -C(O)NHX-, and



where:

X is alkyl₁₋₆ or is not present,

Y is N or O or is not present, and

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R^3 is alkyl₁₋₆;

PAG is a linear or branched polyalkylene glycol moiety;

R^2 is an alkyl₁₋₂₂ capping moiety if X is present or alkyl₂₋₂₂ if X is not present;

q is a number from 1 to the maximum number of branches on PAG; and

m is 1-5.

2. (Original) The compound of claim 1 comprising an Olig coupled to carbon 4 of the phenol moiety.
3. (Original) The compound of claim 1 comprising an Olig coupled to carbon 3 of the phenol moiety, and/or an Olig coupled to carbon 5 of the phenol moiety.
4. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein m is 1 and the Olig is coupled to carbon 4 of the phenol moiety.
5. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein m is 1 and the Olig is coupled to carbon 3 or carbon 5 of the phenol moiety.
6. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein:
 - (a) m is 2, and
 - (b) a first Olig is coupled to carbon 3 of the phenol moiety, and
 - (c) a second Olig is coupled to carbon 5 of the phenol moiety.
7. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein L is present and X is not present.
8. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein L and X are both present.
9. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein PAG is a linear polyalkylene glycol moiety.
10. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein PAG is a linear polyethylene glycol moiety.
11. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein PAG is a branched polyalkylene glycol moiety.

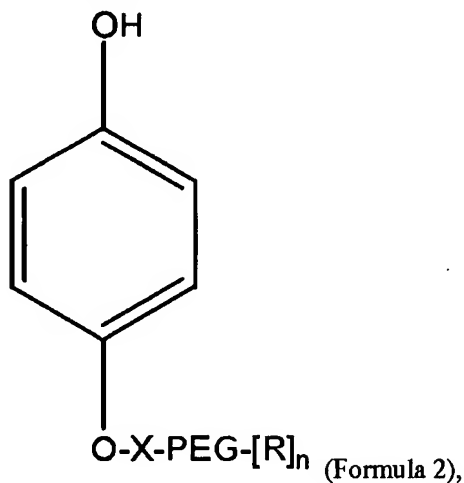
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12. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein PAG is a branched polyethylene glycol moiety.
13. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein q is 1 to 5.
14. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein q is 2.
15. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R² is alkyl₅₋₁₂.
16. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R² is alkyl₁₋₄.
17. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein X is present and R² is methyl.
18. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R¹ is alkyl₁₋₂₂.
19. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R¹ is alkyl₁₋₁₂.
20. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R¹ is alkyl₁₋₆.
21. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R¹ is methyl and L is not amide or O.
22. (Original) The compound of claim 1 wherein R¹ is methyl.
23. (Cancelled)
24. (Cancelled)
25. (Previously presented) A biologically active agent comprising a compound of claim 1 covalently coupled thereto by a carbamate bond to form a prodrug which does or does not retain the biological activity of the biologically active agent, wherein the biologically active agent is a drug moiety or a protein drug moiety.

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26. (Previously presented) A protein drug moiety covalently coupled to one or more of the compound of claim 1.

27. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:



wherein

X is not present;

PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

L is not included;

R is H or alkyl; and

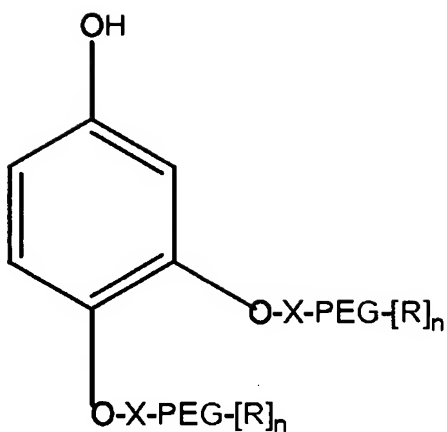
n is a number from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches.

28. (Cancelled)

29. (Cancelled) :

30. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:

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(Formula 5),

wherein

X is not present;

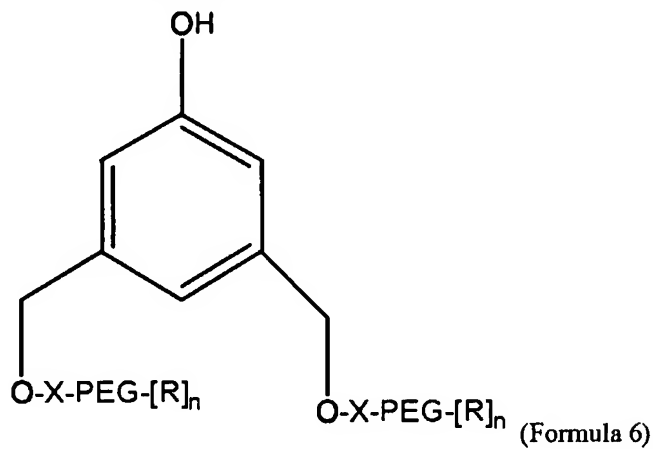
PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

L is not included;

R is H or alkyl; and

n is a number from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches.

31. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:



(Formula 6)

wherein

X is not present;

PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

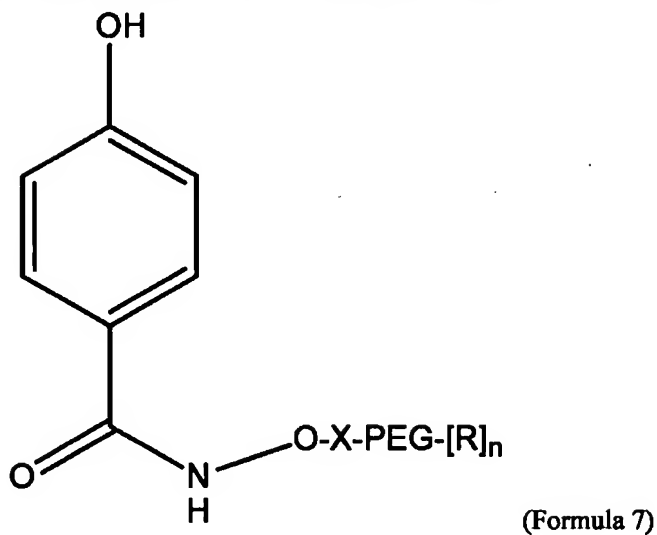
L is not included;

R is H or alkyl; and

n is a number from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches.

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32. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:



wherein

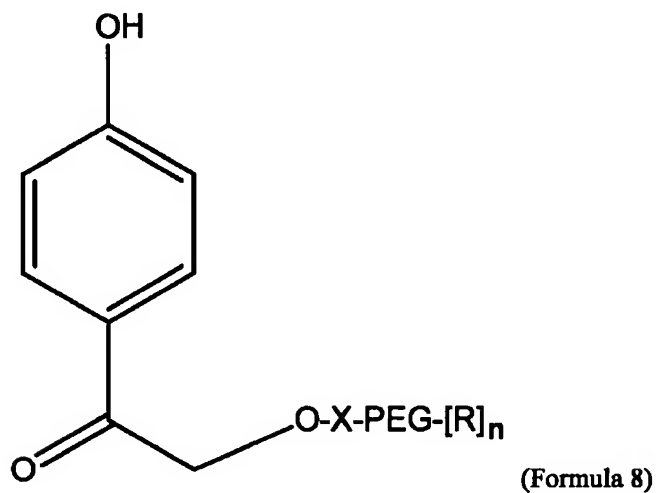
X is not present;

PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

R is H or alkyl; and

n is a number from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches.

33. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:



wherein

X is not present;

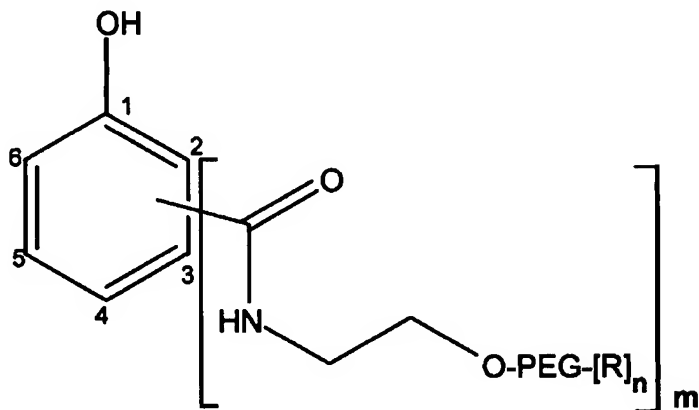
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PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

R is H or alkyl; and

n is a number from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches.

34. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:



wherein

PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

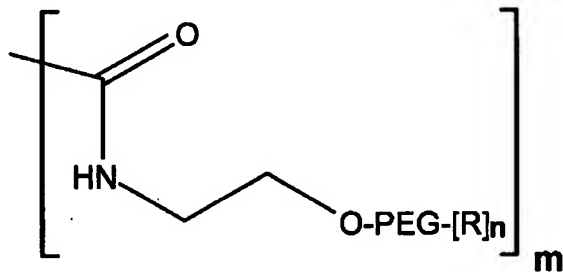
R is H or alkyl;

m is 1 or 2; and

n is a number from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches.

35. (Withdrawn) The compound of claim 34 wherein:

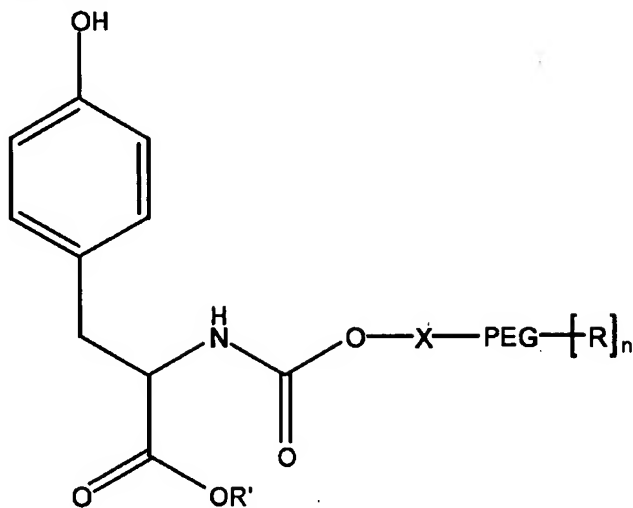
m is 2; and



s bound to the phenol moiety at positions 3 and 4.

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36. (Previously presented) A compound having a formula:



wherein

X is an alkyl or is not present;

PEG is linear or branched PEG₂₋₅₀;

R is H or alkyl;

n is from 1 to the maximum number of PEG branches; and

R¹ is alkyl.

37. (Cancelled)

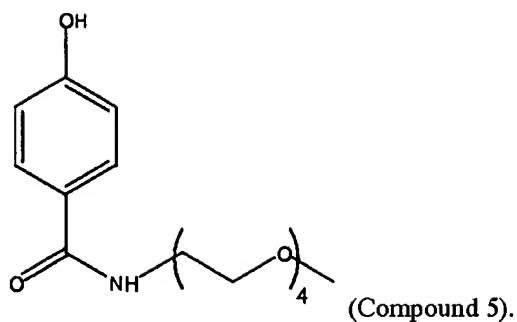
38. (Cancelled)

39. (Cancelled)

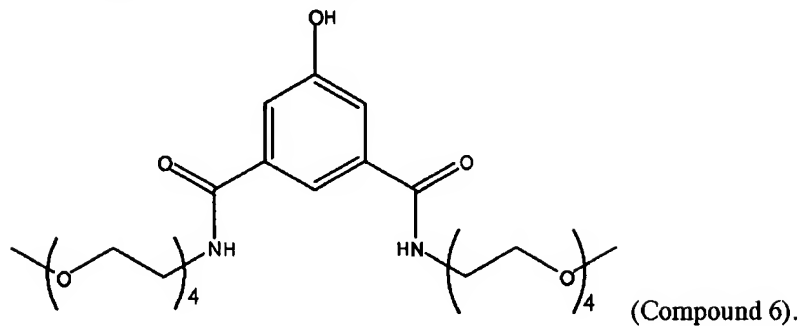
40. (Cancelled)

41. (withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:

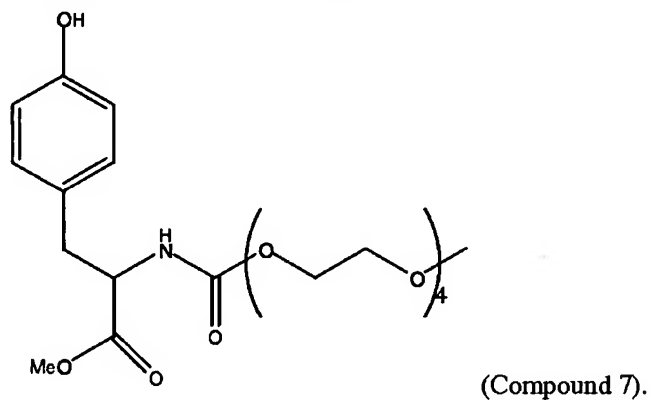
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42. (withdrawn) The compound of claim 1 having a formula:



43. (Previously presented) A compound having a formula:



44. (Original) The compound of claim 1, wherein the compound is a pure prodrug or partial prodrug.

45. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the compound of claim 1 in a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

46. (Cancelled)

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47. (Previously presented) A method of treating a subject in need of treatment for diabetes comprising administering an effective amount of the compound of claim 1 that is conjugated to insulin to the subject.